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## Letter: Wesley Bouslog to Opal Valentine Baker, April 16, 1918

Wesley Bouslog

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Fair Queen of Hoosierland:-

Rec'd your letter of the 12<sup>th</sup>  
with paper clippings enclosed. Thanks  
for the same.

I see that Hugh & Clay & James &  
are now in class 2. Well luck to  
them and I am glad to see them  
escape the horrors etc of war if  
possible. The only thing we ask of  
them is to leave nothing undone  
in producing necessary pro-  
ducts for our allies across the sea.  
I hold no malice or grudge against  
anyone who is fortunate enough to  
escape the Call of U.S. if they will  
do their part at home. As I say  
it takes several men to support  
one fighting man they can honorably  
serve their country at home.

Should they ever spend one  
week with U.S. the farm nor no  
where else could hold them for  
they would be glad and contented



to be with the Stars & Stripes every hour in the day.

If they really do their part on the farm as I am sure they will do, they will be entitled to honor just the same as those who have offered their lives. The amount of honor however should be determined by the sacrifices which each make. Do I get the theoretical idea, I intend to convey?

Oh! yes you said you were O.K. with the exception of a few pains and you could tell me but it wouldn't sound good. Ha! That makes me eager to hear. You know we have no objections to hearing things no matter how they sound. Cut 'em loose.

You said you had gained in weight 200 lbs. Lets C.  $176 + 200 = 376$  lbs. the 176 being what you always said you weighed. Some Whopper! Can it be true? Just how has it all happened. If it all lies in a secret pass it on for I too would like to gain weight.





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Well I can say that Bryant has always acted and seemed contented about me. I don't know how he really feels since he has left C. Johnston.

Well if you really want to C. your sweetheart and your father you will have to come to Florida. In peace time we would come to you, but in war times furloughs are not easily obtained. If Uncle Sam could see as I do I would get a furlough soon but as it is I must stay in Florida.

Tell Harry Van I thank him for his thoughtfulness and interest in arranging a dance for my benefit, but fear that he will have to wait a while yet.

I received a letter from Luther saying he had invited you to take a trip to Muncie with him and his friend and by all



means I think it will be a pleasant trip. Tell Aunt B. That the pendulum of the clock became short and caused the time to jump ahead one hour. Ha!

As for Albert & I regret that he has come to what he has. I know if he had listened to the pleadings of his wife, he would have become a respected & happy man. I am personally acquainted with his wife and was to visit them once. In spite of everything I am impressed that she has always been faithful and is in no way to blame for his actions. She was as good and desirable as any man would ask for, and deserved a husband who should have made her happy.

How does John Jacob feel? Ha! Well should I ever be responsible for causing one more German Widow. He may have the widow. Ha! I wouldnt care for her.





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I must close and write  
Bryant a few lines.  
With best of luck and  
happiness and health to  
you, I am

Yours,  
Wm  
H

Wes L. Bouslog.

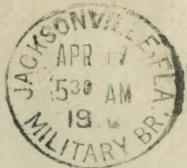
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